

By: Representative DeLano

To: Rules

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE DISTINGUISHED AND  
2 MERITORIOUS SERVICE OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL DR. MICHAEL B. HOGAN,  
3 RENDERED TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND CONGRATULATING HIM  
4 UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT.

5 WHEREAS, upon providing nearly three decades of selfless and  
6 meritorious service to the United States as a member of the  
7 nation's elite fraternity of Armed Forces personnel, Lieutenant  
8 Colonel Dr. Michael B. Hogan, officially retired from the United  
9 States Air Force, effective September 30, 2017, after having  
10 previously served in the two other branches of the United States  
11 Military, the United States Marine Corps and the South Carolina  
12 Army National Guard; and

13 WHEREAS, having initially enlisted in the United States  
14 Marine Corps in October 1983, where he completed his basic  
15 training regiment on the burning sands of Parris Island, South  
16 Carolina, in January 1984, Lieutenant Colonel Hogan soon  
17 thereafter embarked upon a seven-year career with the Devil Dogs,  
18 which consisted of: completion of Defense Mapping School at Fort  
19 Belvoir, Virginia (April 1984 through July 1984); two-year



20 assignment at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (July 1984 through  
21 April 1986); completion of Embassy Guard School at Quantico,  
22 Virginia (April 1986 through July 1986); Embassy Guard assignments  
23 to the United States Embassies in Paris, France (July 1986 through  
24 October 1987); Beijing, China (October 1987 through October 1988);  
25 and Dhaka, Bangladesh (October 1988 through January 1989); and  
26 completed a one-year assignment as an engineer with the Marine  
27 Corps Station in Cherry Point, North Carolina, which began in  
28 January 1989 before separating from the Corps in January 1990; and

29 WHEREAS, in keeping with the motto of the United States  
30 Marine Corps, "Semper Fidelis," which translates into "always  
31 faithful," Lieutenant Colonel Hogan remained faithful to service  
32 of his fellowmen by working as a full-time police officer in  
33 Greenwood, South Carolina, even during his undergraduate  
34 matriculation at Lander University, which he completed in only  
35 three years while simultaneously serving South Carolina Army  
36 National Guard in numerous capacities during the course of his  
37 service, including: Signal Company in Abbeville, South Carolina  
38 (March 1992 through June 1994); completing Officer Training School  
39 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, during the summer of 1994; and  
40 being commissioned as an Artillery Officer in August 1994, which  
41 facilitated his two-year Armory assignment in Clinton, South  
42 Carolina (August 1994 through July 1996); and

43 WHEREAS, his selfless dedication and exceptional leadership  
44 skills positioned Lieutenant Colonel Hogan as a prime candidate



45 for a Medical School Scholarship Program with the United States  
46 Air Force, for which he was commissioned after resigning his Army  
47 commission as a Lieutenant in July 1996, before commencing his  
48 medical studies at the University of South Carolina Medical School  
49 one month later and completing the course of study in May 2000 as  
50 an United States Air Force Lieutenant; and

51 WHEREAS, equipped with a wealth of leadership experience and  
52 vast educational and clinical knowledge, Lieutenant Colonel Hogan,  
53 whose passion for public service is innately embedded in his DNA  
54 as the son of Richard Hogan, a United States Navy Electronics  
55 Technician and grandson of John W. McBride, a United States Army  
56 World War II Infantry veteran, opted to use his hands for healing  
57 rather than combat, and completed his general surgery residency at  
58 Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi (January 2005), and  
59 served as General Surgeon with Special Operational Surgical Team  
60 at Hulburt Field Air Force Base, Fort Walton Beach, Florida (July  
61 2005 through June 2008), and completed a Vascular Surgery  
62 Fellowship at the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, Tennessee  
63 (June 2008 through July 2010), before returning to Keesler in June  
64 2010 as a Vascular Surgeon; and

65 WHEREAS, since his return to Keesler, Lieutenant Colonel  
66 Hogan has worked zealously to be the impetus of change, riding the  
67 cusp of innovation to implement the base's vascular program and  
68 initiated a sharing agreement with the Gulf Coast Veterans Affairs  
69 Medical Center for the treatment of veterans; and



70           WHEREAS, a humble man who bleeds red, white and blue,  
71 Lieutenant Colonel Hogan has sacrificed countless hours away from  
72 his family in fulfillment of the needs of this country, in honor  
73 and in furtherance of the oath he affirmed when he joined the  
74 illustrious vanguard of servicemen and women who comprise the  
75 rolls of the United States Armed Forces, as indicated by having  
76 served five deployments in support of Operation Enduring Freedom,  
77 including: two tours of duty to the Philippines as a Special Ops  
78 General Surgeon; South America on classified assignment as a  
79 Special Ops General Surgeon; and two tours of duty to Bagram  
80 Airfield, Afghanistan, as a Vascular Surgeon with the 455th  
81 Expeditionary Force; and

82           WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Hogan wears his allegiance to the  
83 stars and stripes of our nation's banner with pride, a pride that  
84 he instills in the very hearts and minds of those American heroes  
85 whose lives he has saved in defense of our liberties, by allowing  
86 them to experience the reaffirmed support, security and feel the  
87 safety afforded by the United States of America while receiving  
88 medical attention in the medical unit, which proudly displayed the  
89 American Flag upon the ceiling of the receiving wing; and

90           WHEREAS, throughout the last two decades of his esteemed,  
91 reputable and iconic career, Lieutenant Colonel Hogan has enjoyed  
92 the overwhelming love and support of his family, wife, Sonya  
93 Hogan, and six children, one of whom, Richard Trevor Hogan, chose  
94 to answer the call to national service like his father,



95 grandfather and great-grandfather before him by serving as an  
96 Electronics Technician Third Class with the United States Navy  
97 aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln, and Conor Robert Hogan, Evan  
98 Patrick Hogan, Daniel Michael Hogan, Katerina Emma Hogan and Bryce  
99 Lee Hogan, all of whom have been a source of inspiration in his  
100 continued pursuit of excellence in service to mankind; and

101 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize  
102 the singularly distinctive career and accomplishments of such an  
103 immensely gallant individual as Lieutenant Colonel Hogan, whose  
104 service to these United States and its global allies have  
105 culminated in a long and distinguished career and reflect great  
106 credit upon himself and the United States Air Force:

107 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
108 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING  
109 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend the distinguished and  
110 meritorious service of Lieutenant Colonel Dr. Michael B. Hogan,  
111 rendered to the United States of America, congratulate him upon  
112 the occasion of his retirement and extend best wishes for  
113 continued success in all of his future endeavors while enjoying  
114 the lighter years of life.

115 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
116 furnished to Lieutenant Colonel Dr. Michael B. Hogan and to the  
117 members of the Capitol Press Corps.

